## YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT ST. BONAVENTURE

WEEKDAY LITURGY: Monday to Friday, 9 am

SATURDAY: 9 am

**PUBLIC HOLIDAYS: 9 am** 

RECONCILIATION: Saturday, 4 pm

**SUNDAY LITURGY** Saturday Vigil: 5 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am, 10 am, 12 noon

#### MINISTRY CENTRE HOURS

Monday to Thursday: 9 am to 4:30 pm

Friday: 9 am to 3 pm

Closed 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm Saturday: 2 pm - 6:30 pm Sunday: 9:30 am - 1:30 pm

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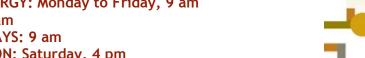
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## EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



THOSE WHO BELONG TO GOD'S PEOPLE MUST LOVE THE LORD WITH THEIR WHOLE BEING. A DIVIDED HEART IS NOT A HEART THAT BELONGS TO GOD. ~ DEUTERONOMY 6.5

IN THE GOSPEL, JUST BEFORE JESUS IMPLORES HIS LISTENERS NOT TO WORRY, HE STATES THAT WE CANNOT SERVE TWO MASTERS. WHO IS JESUS REFERRING TO? THE ONE MASTER IS GOD, BUT WHO IS THE OTHER? EVIL? IN A WAY YES, BUT IN ANOTHER WAY, JESUS MAY BE REFERRING TO A MORE SPECIFIC MANIFESTATION OF EVIL. EVIL CAN HOLD OUR HOPES, FEARS AND EXPECTATIONS HOSTAGE BY CRIPPLING US WITH ANXIETY. INSTEAD OF LOOKING TOWARDS GOD, WE CAN LOOK TO FEAR. WE CANNOT THEREFORE SERVE GOD, WHO IS LOVE, AND EVIL, WHICH BRINGS DESPAIR AND UNCERTAINTY. THE OTHER MASTER OPPOSED TO GOD IS ONE OF ILL~WILL AND MISERY.

~ Andrew Hume, Toronto, ON

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Mon. Feb. 27 9:00 am Special Intentions of H. Rodrigues Tues. Feb. 28 9:00 am Andersen Chan-Kim Wed. Mar. 1 9:00 am †Peter Glowczewski Thurs. Mar. 2 9:00 am †Donald Durst †Cecilia Kenny Fri. Mar. 3 9:00 am 9:00 am All Souls Sat. Mar. 4 **Thanksgiving** 

**Special Intentions Bratty Family** Maureen Shuewa Margaret Kerk **Dolores Romano** A. Woloshen Willie John Creedon † Richard Creedon † Edgardo Soriano † Gervais Lewis

Sat. Mar. 4 5:00 pm † Burke & Mary Seitz Sun. Mar. 5 8:30 am † Jose C. Ong

10:00 am † William Bannerman 12:00 pm Parishioners

### **PRAYER INTENTIONS**

Sanctuary Lamp: † Peter Glowczewski

Vigil Lamp: †Jose C. Ong

For the Sick: Mary Rose Fernando, Gord Roberts, Kay Corner, Linda

Nasturzio, Dorothy Lord, Eileen Velazquez, Klaus Stitz

and Geraldine Daly For the Deceased: † Richard Creedon

† John McLaughlin

† Aidan Perkell † Fabian Andrew O'Dea



Prayer Network: Members pray daily for intentions held in confidence. Contact Moira McKeown at 416-445-8494

Private Prayer: Contact Friar Boniface at

416-447-5571 ext. 500

## Lenten Schedule Ash Wednesday, March 1st

We will celebrate mass at 9:00 am and 7:00 pm. Ashes will be distributed during the mass. Stations of the Cross- 9:30 am on Fridays of Lent.

## This Week in Our Parish

Monday, February 27

**6:30** pm Sparks/Bonaventure Room **6:30** pm Brownies/Francis Room

7:00 pm Sacramental Preparation-First Holy Communion-Session 4/Main Hall

7:30 pm Adult Choir Practice/in the Church

Tuesday, February 28

7:00 pm Bible Study Group/Bonaventure Room 7:00 pm Sacramental Preparation- First Holy Communion-Session 4/Main Hall

Wednesday, March 1

6:30 pm GRASP Group/Oak Room

7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous/Francis Room

Saturday, March 4

9:30 am Christian Meditation/Oak Room 9:30 am Al Anon Group/Bonaventure Room 1:00 pm Sacramental Preparation-First Holy Communion-Session 4/Main Hall

## Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

~ Overcoming fear ~

Reading I Isaiah 49:14-15

(restoration of Zion)

1 Corinthians 4:1-6 Reading II (Christ judges his ministers)

Gospel Matthew 5:24-34

(dependence on God)

Jesus said, "But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you -you of little faith? (Matthew 6:30)

### Questions of the Week:

Adult: What things do you worry about most frequently? How do you deal with your worry?

Child: What can help you worry less about something that might happen?

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## Ash Wednesday

Joel 2:12-18 (the day of the Lord) Reading I 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2

Reading II (ministry of reconciliation)

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18 (purity of Gospel

intention; prayer and fasting)

Conversion of heart ~ Joel 2:13

Adult: What attitude of your heart would you like

to change during Lent this year?

Child: What do you ask Jesus to help you improve

inside of you?

# STEWARDSHIP - A WAY OF LIVING February 19 Offertory Collection

Thank you for your generous donations. Regular Collection: \$ 8,304.75

Maintenance Fund Offering: \$ 58
Donate Now: \$328

Pre-Authorized Giving: \$2,906

#### **COMMUNITY LIFE**

# News from the St. Vincent de Paul Society

St. Bonaventure Conference Snapshot for 2016
Due to our parish's generosity and kindness, our
Conference was able to serve 25 households
comprised of 42 adults and 20 children and offer
support through 216 visits. We assisted them
according to need with grocery gift cards, beds,
clothing, household items, transportation when
required, emergency shopping, moving assistance,
advocacy, prayer and referral. Our volunteers
contributed 1,875 hours of their time, including
administrative duties, holding poor boxes,
meetings, bundle weekends and works of mercy.

### Canadian Food for Children

On *March 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>* weekend we will be accepting donations of <u>oil</u> to support the work of Dr. Simone.

# 2017 ShareLife Campaign "Living the Gospel"

ShareLife is more than an annual appeal -it is the way that we bring the hands of Christ to those in need! One of the core directions of our Pastoral Plan is Catholic Outreach in Justice and Love, and our support for ShareLife helps to bring this to life, not only in our archdiocese, but also around the world.

Each year, thousands of people turn to a ShareLife agency for help. Our agencies provide service in an environment that is infused with Catholic values, bringing the Gospel message to the marginalized.

When we support ShareLife, we are making more than a financial contribution - we are demonstrating that the Catholic community is actively making a difference in the social service network in our archdiocese!

Thank you for your support of ShareLife!

#### Women's Lenten Retreat

March 31<sup>st</sup> - April 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend, Queen of the Apostles Renewal Centre in Mississauga Theme: "The Call to Peace" Preached by the Centre Team. For further information or registration please call 905-278-5229.

## Spiritual Growth in the Second Half of Life

**Dates and Programme Topics** 

March 7: Aging Well: Generativity
an essential dimension to
successful aging; What is my

legacy

April 4: Be well, Be Wise and Be Holy:

Spirituality of Aging Savouring the Fruits of Awareness, Reflection

**And Action** 

To register call **416-447-5571** Ext. **550** or email at maureen@st-bonaventure.ca

#### Confirmation as an Adult

Some of us, catechized and practicing the faith, were never confirmed for a variety of reasons. It is possible to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at a later age.

- You were baptized in the Roman Catholic Church:
- You participate in the life of the parish;
- You continue to grow in relation with Jesus Christ;
- You desire to more fully live his Good News through your life;
- Perhaps you are preparing for marriage;
- Perhaps you have been asked to be godparent or a sponsor;
- Perhaps you are asking for your child to be baptized;

and you were never confirmed.

Let us lead you to full initiation in the life of Christ by preparing you to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation.

**How:** 5 preparation sessions and preparation in the Parish's Lenten Retreat: Discovering the Invitations of God.

When: Mondays, March 6,13,27; April 3 & 24; 7 pm to 9 pm.

Parish's Lenten Retreat; March 20, 21 & 22; 10 am or 7 pm

Confirmation at the Easter Vigil-April 15

Registration: Please contact Gregory Beath at 416-447-5571 Ext.258, to make an appointment no later than February 28, 2017. Provide a copy of your baptismal certificate recently issued by the Roman Catholic parish where you were baptized.

### **Lenten Resource Materials**

We have ordered a variety of resource materials: Pope Francis, Living Lent with Love; Not by Bread Alone by Genevieve Glen; Lent for Families 2017: Together We share, Grow and Rejoice! and some materials from Development & Peace: Women at the Heart of Change. Please feel free to enjoy.

## 2017 St. Bonaventure Baseball Season

At this time, we do not have enough volunteers to run the league for the 2017 season. We have one more week to fill the necessary positions. If we are unable to find enough volunteers, the season will be cancelled. We are looking for: Coordinator; T-ball, Rookie ball & Soft ball convenors; coaches; umpires & youth volunteers. If you can spare some time, we need you! Please consider volunteering. Email <a href="mailto:connie.durante@st-bonaventure.ca">connie.durante@st-bonaventure.ca</a> or call 416-447-5571 for more information.

## **Youth Ministry Blog**

Hello all! Please check out our Youth Ministry blog: <a href="http://stbonaventureyouth.blogspot.ca/">http://stbonaventureyouth.blogspot.ca/</a> to stay up to date with activities and events upcoming for our Youth Community at St. Bonaventure's!

# Celebrate Your Marriage with a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!

# March 17-19, 2017 weekend, Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Missisauga

Celebrate your love and take a fresh look at your marriage! Spend a very special weekend together. A weekend of discovery... a lifetime of love! Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend getaway that helps married couples rediscover themselves as individuals and as a couple. The weekend format helps couples communicate openly and honestly without group sharing, therapy or marriage counselling. For more information and application, please go to <a href="https://www.wwme.org">www.wwme.org</a> or contact: Gerard & Marge McCauley at <a href="mailto:gerard.marge@rogers.com">gerard.marge@rogers.com</a> or 905-792-1925

## Discovering the Invitations of God

March 20, 21 and 22; 10:00 am or 7:00 pm Friar Julio Martinez, OFM Conv., received his training in comtemplative spiritual direction from the Shalem Institute for Spiritual Formation.

We will explore the following:

- The story of our lives as a living scripture.
- The search for God as a response to God's invitations.
- The importance of celebrating life and faith. This will be an interactive event that will be held in the Parish Center. Please join us!

## St. Bonaventure Adult Pick-up / Shinny Hockey

Don Mills Civitan Arena - 1030 Don Mills Rd. Game Time: Every Friday night, 11 pm to 12 am Cost: \$15 per game, Dress in Locker Rooms 1 & 4 This is a friendly non-contact pick-up/shinny hockey game with goalies. Full equipment is required. The game is open to parishioners and their friends. Older teenagers will be considered with parental consent. For info, email: st.bonaventurehockey@hotmail.com





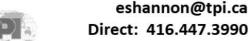
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